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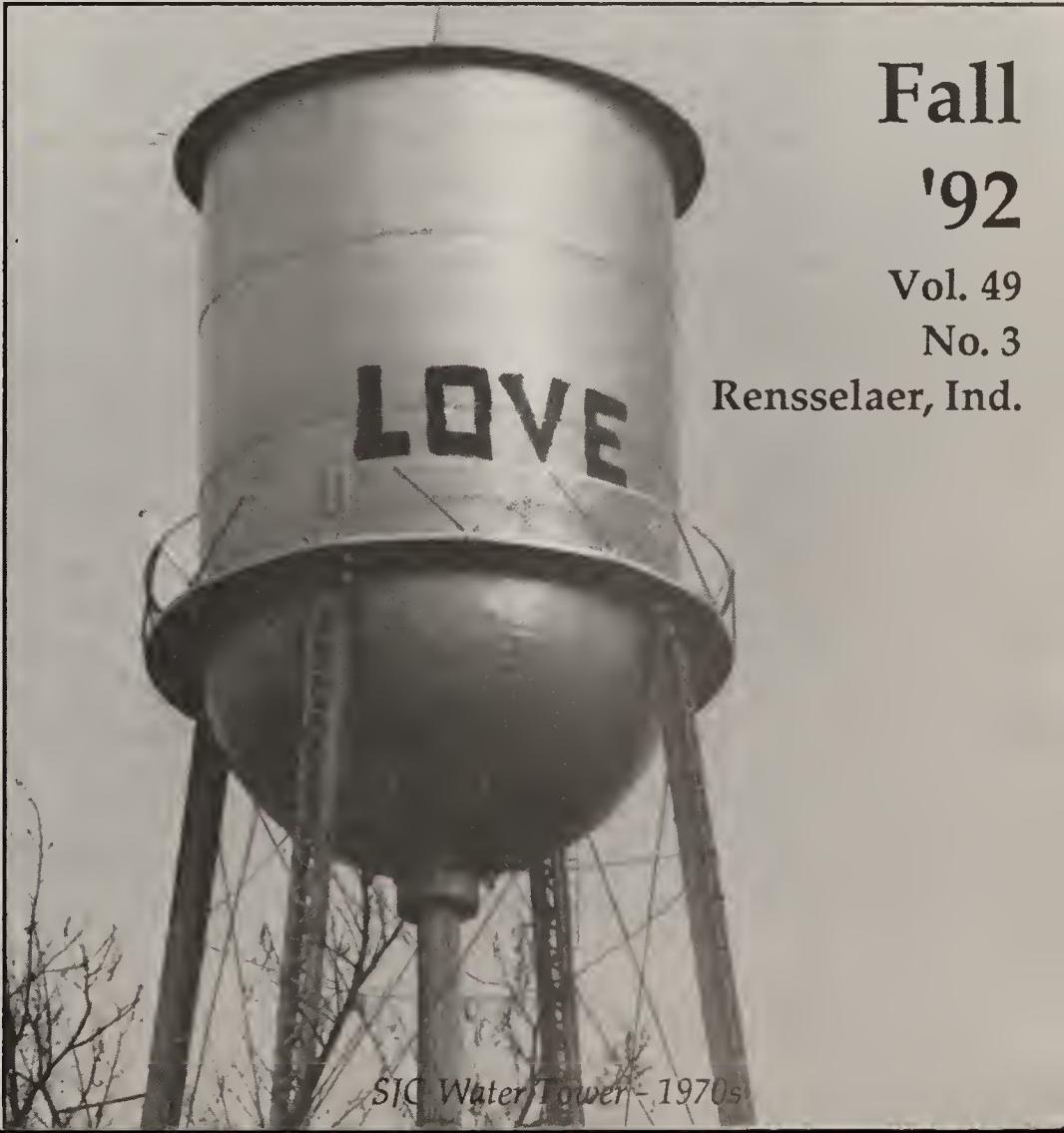
Campus Aerial View - 1940s



Homecoming Dance - 1950s



1960s Student Get-together (left to right): John Negovetich '67,  
Tim Brock, Alan Novak '67, J. Dennis McDonald '67



SJC Water Tower - 1970s

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# News



Albert Shannon

## Shannon Named VP for Academic Affairs

Dr. Albert J. Shannon is the new vice president for academic affairs. He succeeds Dr. John Nichols, who resigned the position to serve full-time as a professor of philosophy and Core Curriculum Coordinator.

Dr. Shannon earned his bachelor's degree (Phi Beta Kappa) in 1971 from Marquette University in English and Classics, an M.Ed. from Boston University in 1972, and a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Administration from Marquette University in 1978.

Shannon comes to us from Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He has a cumulative fourteen years of experience in higher education, several of which were in administration at the division, chair and director level. His extensive involvement in university-wide policy setting and governance include experiences in higher education administration at Harvard University, the University of Pennsylvania, and the American Council on Education Fellows Program. He has had considerable consulting experience, and directed over 100 staff development workshops in schools and universities throughout the country.

Shannon and his wife, Mary, have two children, Erica age 19 and Sean age 17. Erica is a sophomore at Mount St. Mary's College in Md. and Sean is a senior in high school in Abington, Pa.

## Beschnett New Career Planning and Placement Director at SJC

The new Director of Career Planning and Placement at Saint Joseph's College is Christine Beschnett. Christine is a native Minnesotan. She has a bachelor of arts in English education from St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn. She taught English 7-12 in Iowa before attending Indiana State University. While working on her master of science degree in College Student Personnel Work, she also served as a Career Planning Assistant. In graduate school she was a founding member of the College Student Personnel-Graduate Student Association.

"Basically, I'm looking forward to developing and implementing a comprehensive, 4-5 year career development plan for the students of Saint Joseph's College. Career development needs to start during the freshman year, and it's a process that will continue even after graduation," states Beschnett. "I also hope to be working more closely with the alumni of this college," she adds.

She has recently moved to Rensselaer from Terre Haute, and looks forward to doing some biking and reading in addition to getting involved in both the Rensselaer and Saint Joseph's College communities.

## Grants Received at SJC

Allen Berger, professor of anthropology and assistant vice president for academic affairs, was one of 14 faculty members at Indiana independent colleges and universities selected by Lilly Endowment, Inc. for its Summer Stipend Program to develop new courses for their institutions. Berger used the \$5,000 award to work this summer on a course entitled "The Prospects for Democratic Community."

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SJC was awarded a \$46,046 grant by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education. The grant will finance a consortial project with Rensselaer Central School Corporation, St. Augustine School Corporation, and St. Joseph Elementary School Corporation for the purpose of enhancing science/math education at the elementary grade levels.

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Charles Kerlin, chairman, department of English and professor of English, was one of 30 artists out of 190 applicants to receive a \$2,000 Individual Artist Fellowship from the Indiana Arts Commission. The award is for literature and will be used to support Kerlin's efforts to complete a novel.

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Lilly Endowment, Inc. has awarded the College an institutional development grant of \$64,724. The grant will be used to allow the Library and Dining Services access to the administrative computer by creating a campus-wide bar code ID system. This will save the College countless man-hours and provide a sophisticated, efficient system of record keeping for these two service areas.

# Columbian Players Celebrate 100 years

I have thought often of our campus drama club, the Columbian Players, during its centennial year 1992. Truly, from its inception when it was called the Columbian Literary Society, founded October 21, 1892, it established what is now the oldest, long-standing club on campus. A tradition of excellence brought to it by former directors, Father Paul Speckbaugh, Father Lawrence Heiman and others, has always been maintained. Quality productions of dramatic superiority have been the hallmark of this organization. Plays from every genre of dramaturgy have been mounted for student and public entertainment from the time of the club's beginning. Indeed, from Oedipus Rex and Othello to Man Of La Mancha and Grease, one of our more recent productions under the club's current director, Professor John Rahe, student actors have graced the Saint Joseph's stage with professional perfection and expertise. Many of them from Ed Fisher, noted Notre Dame professor and author, to Mark Doss, a performing artist with professional opera companies, are living testimonials to this fact.

The Columbian Players, as an academic and entertainment medium, has also reflected the spirit of Saint Joseph's College in contributing to a deep sense of community pervading all of its activities. Students engaged in public productions have learned the vagaries and vicissitudes of working together for the common good of all, a challenge frequently encountered in daily living. Moreover, they have with pride accomplished the goal of successful production, a gratifying achievement which is the reward of all aspiring performers.

As a former actor and director of the Columbian Players for thirty-five years, I salute an organization of unparalleled merit for its commitment and dedication to the cause of excellence which has for one hundred years never wavered.

Ralph M. Cappuccilli, Ph.D.  
Director, 1948-1983

## Annual Fellows Dinner Enjoys Long Tradition

The Fellows Dinner held June 6 was attended by over 400 honorees and their guests in celebration of their life-long membership as Fellows of the College. The annual event recognizes past Fellows as it adds new ones to the roster.

The Fellows Program is a time-honored giving category which dates back to the 1960s when Father Raphael Gross, the then President of the College, initiated the program as one of the few fund-raising arms of the institution.

In those days, it required a \$1000 pledge of indefinite duration to become a Fellow. Through the years, the Fellows Program has grown to over 3400 members. The tradition is strong and identification with the program among alumni and friends is immediate. Other giving clubs have been established, some at substantially higher levels, but the emotional attachment to the Fellows Program is ongoing. Several years ago, the Fellows guidelines were changed to a pledge of \$1000 over a 3-year period.

Alums and friends who wish to become Fellows may call Inge Erickson, director of development, at 219/866-6173.

## Scholarship Dinner

The 23rd annual Saint Joseph's College Board of Trustees Scholarship Dinner was held at the Ambassador West in Chicago, April 24. More than 240 people attended the banquet, dedicated to the memory of long-time Trustee Emil J. Babiarz, who passed away this past December.

Three students were presented academic excellence awards honoring the top male and female students in the Saint Joseph's College Class of 1992. Andrew Balas, an accounting major from Ballwin, Mo., whose father is Bernard Balas '57; Kristen Corsaro, a psychology major from Greenwood, Ind., whose father is Paul Corsaro '65; and Sheila Gemperle, a human services major from Cincinnati, Ohio earned perfect 4.0 grade point averages during their four years at Saint Joseph's.

The event also serves as a fundraiser for the school's Trustee Scholarship Fund, raising over \$60,000 this year.

When we think of gifts many images are concocted by our vivid imaginations. They come in all shapes and sizes with colorful ribbons adorning the packages, arriving on holidays, or for no reason at all.

In May, 1991, I began full-time employment with SJC and since that time have been reminded of a gift like no other. This gift does not come in a box, nor does it have the pleasure of being dressed in Ninja Turtle gift wrap. I hold this gift in highest esteem — it is YOUR TIME AND EFFORTS.

The Alumni Recruitment Corps has been and is sustained by volunteers who are emerging throughout the United States. These alumni have assisted in the efforts of the Office of Admissions by attending college fairs, referring prospective students, and contacting prospective students who have expressed an interest in Saint Joseph's. As an added incentive for our alumni volunteers, the Office of Admissions (through the support of the Board of Trustees) will waive the \$15.00 application fee for any applicant referred by an alumnus/alumna of the College. This procedure is formally performed by requesting a waiver certificate from the ARC Director.

As an Alumni Recruitment Corps volunteer, you play a vital role in recruiting prospective students for the College. We recognize the value of one-on-one relationships that encourage prospective students to apply and increase the probability that qualified students will accept an offer of admission to Saint Joseph's. I ask you now, even if the pennies from Heaven have missed your pocket-book, consider this precious "gift" to the College and allow another to share in the joy and benefits of a Saint Joseph's College education.

To all of you who have helped thus far — my heartfelt gratitude on behalf of the College. For all of my fellow alumni who have not taken part in this endeavor, I warmly welcome you to join in the fun of it all!

All questions and concerns may be directed to Maureen Egan, ARC Director, Saint Joseph's College, P.O Box 890, Rensselaer, Ind., 47978 - 219: 866-6169.

I look forward to continuing my work with all of you.

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## Institute for Entrepreneurial Education

Saint Joseph's College enters its second century with the advent of the Institute for Entrepreneurial Education, the springboard for a recommitment to ENTREPRENEURSHIP - the wellsource of American ingenuity and economic prowess. The Institute will focus on involving entrepreneurs in the processes of academic offerings for degrees, certificates and continuing education offerings and opportunities.

The academic offerings will be in the form of a minor and major with a course being introduced each semester of the academic year 1992-93. These will be expanded into a six-course sequence to be offered on a rolling basis each semester of future academic years. The first graduate course will be offered in the Summer of 1993 for educators at all grade levels of our schools. It is intended to encourage them to develop a skill package to introduce the concepts and role of Entrepreneurship to their students during their formative years.

Additionally, the Institute will interface with alumni, business leaders and business organizations for cooperation, direction, participation and support. The initialization of the process found its roots in the "Executive in Residence Program" which invited several business leaders to campus for a day to present programs to our students. This was made possible through an effective network of our alumni, their efforts and/or direct participation.

Ron Miniat, '50, a successful entrepreneur in the foods service area in Chicago, has been the catalyst for adding entrepreneurship to the Saint Joseph's College curriculum. Executives in Residence to date represent a cross section of business leaders including alumni, trustees, and those who had no previous relationship with the college.

The evolution of the Institute has been the result of the symphonic energies of the alumni, administration, faculty and staff of Saint Joseph's College. The future will call on the mettle of these individuals, groups and organizations to enable the attainment of the goals and objectives of the Institute.

# Peter Shen

# Alumni Profile

Today's college graduates are turning more and more to the small business area for employment and opportunity. In keeping with its tradition of being among the first to respond to changing needs, Saint Joseph's College is launching an Entrepreneurial Education Program. The college has produced a number of successful entrepreneurs over the years. One of the most unique and successful is Peter Shen, a 1963 graduate.

Imagine turning your back on high-paying, prestigious, executive positions with two major corporations to purchase a defunct company that produces a product that nobody appears to have any use for....and then imagine yourself a decade later owning one of the industry leaders in a field that continues to expand and grow.

If you can stretch your imagination to such wild extremes, then you can say you've lived some of the life of Peter Shen.

Shen began living out his dream of running his own company in 1982 when he purchased Electronic and Energy Technology, a division of Beatrice Foods.

"I'd always wanted to own my own company," says Shen, who worked as Vice-President of Operations for Beatrice when that corporation began a phase of divestitures that put EET on the market. "I just couldn't pass up the opportunity."

When the sale was finalized in 1982, Shen found himself with a company that had four employees and manufactured a product that was in slim demand worldwide: electronic ballasts.

Ballasts are used to help stabilize the gases that are present in fluorescent lights. In 1982, the market was dominated by magnetic ballasts that had several drawbacks such as high energy consumption, excessive weight and a tendency to 'leak' when they got old.

Electronic ballasts were designed to overcome some of these shortcomings, and like most new products, had more skeptics than buyers.

Nonetheless, Shen had faith that his new company, which he renamed Electronic Ballast Technology, would prosper....and after some lean years it has.

Today EBT has annual sales of \$60-70 million, employs about 600 people, has a net worth in excess of \$70 million and is a leader in an industry that produces in excess of 160 million units annually.

Just how did Peter Shen accomplish all this with a company that a corporate giant like Beatrice had written off as a 'loser'.

"Timing is everything in business. We had a product that was simply years ahead of its time. I know there were some problems with the product that had to be worked out, but I believed the worldwide energy shortage was a greater one. I knew that sooner or later the advantages of electronic ballasts would be seen by everyone."

The biggest advantage to the electronic ballast is its ability to conserve energy with a more constant flow of electricity to the fluorescent light.

Comfort is another factor. With a more constant flow of electricity the almost imperceptible flicker that was a common trait of fluorescent lights disappears.

New applications and functions for fluorescent lights are also possible with electronic ballast, such as the addition of dimmer switches that control the intensity of light.

This has led to other applications which have found fluorescent lights being coordinated in office settings with natural light. As the natural light fades, the fluorescent light intensifies automatically.

"I always liked the potential for the electronic ballasts. Still, the decision to buy EET was a difficult one for me. At that time I was entertaining offers from both Emerson Electronics and Borg Warner to be Division President. I never regretted my decision, but for a time I wondered whether I had made a mistake," says Shen, whose career in electronics began shortly after his graduation from Saint Joseph's.

"Building the company was a long and painful process for me. I lost over a million dollars between 1983-1987, and several times bankruptcy was close at hand," says Shen.

"However, once I got into EBT I knew success would come. I never doubted that. The question was not 'if' the company would be successful but 'when'. I was lucky to hold out long enough to see it."

Today, sitting in his Los Angeles-area office, directing one of the world's leading manufacturers of electronic ballasts, Peter Shen serves as living proof that with the right combination of timing, patience and perseverance anything is possible for the entrepreneur with the right product.

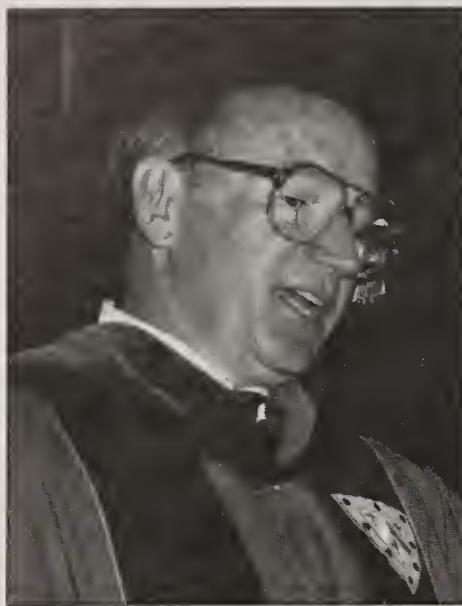
Shen and his wife Dorothy have two sons, Marcus, 23, a grad student at the University of California-Berkley and Alex, 20, a third year pre-med student at the University of Pennsylvania.



Peter Shen

# On Campus

## Commencement 1992



James P. Lennane

"We have no inalienable right to happiness; only the inalienable right to pursue it," was the focus of the address given by James P. Lennane to the 188 seniors on May 3rd during Saint Joseph's College's 97th annual commencement exercises.

Now living in Naples, Fla., Lennane attended Saint Joseph's from 1957 through 1959. He earned a bachelor's and master's degree in mathematics from the University of Detroit, then took a job with IBM, eventually started his own company, and sold it in 1989.

Lennane was presented an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Saint Joseph's during commencement exercises in 1991.

He is an entrepreneur, investor and a student of both emerging technologies and economic strategies.

It was through his philanthropy that Saint Joseph's Arts and Science Building was renovated during the summer of 1991 at a cost of over \$1 million.

Doctor of Laws Honorary Degree recipients for their long-time commitment to Saint Joseph's were: Robert '43 and Genevieve Causland of Vero Beach, Fla., and John Dunn '40 of Tiffin, Ohio.

Robert and Genevieve returned to Saint Joseph's as married students for a year of refresher courses after World War II. Genevieve Causland can claim status as the first coed at Saint Joseph's.

Dunn was a freshman in the very first class admitted to the school after it became a four-year college in 1936 and was a member of the college's first four-year graduating class.

Both Robert Causland and John Dunn are members of the Saint Joseph's College Advisory Board.

Valedictorians for the Class of 1992 include: Andrew Balas of Ballwin, Mo.; Kristen Corsaro of Greenwood, Ind.; and Sheila Gemperle of Cincinnati, Ohio.



Commencement - May 3, 1992

## WPUM-FM Celebrates 15th Anniversary

WPUM-FM, Saint Joseph's College's campus radio station, is celebrating its 15th anniversary September 7, 1992. It was on that date in 1977 that the station changed its call letters from WOWI and went on the air as an FM over-the-air broadcast station. Since then, the station has served the college and the Rensselaer community as it trains future broadcasters majoring in Radio/Television.

"We are quite excited by the station's 15th anniversary," said Brian Simmons, assistant professor of communications and faculty advisor to the station. "It is a good chance for us to take stock of where the station has been and where it is going."

Various events are planned to celebrate the station's anniversary. On September 7th, WPUM-FM is having a barbecue and live music as a way of saying thank you to the listeners. The event will take place on the mall between Gallagher, Noll, and Halas dorms. "All current SJC students and alumni are invited," said Simmons. On Saturday, October 3, all WPUM alumni are invited to a 15th anniversary lunch. The lunch will be in Halleck cafeteria and can be paid at the door. This is part of the Homecoming/Reunion activities.

WPUM-FM is housed in the chapel basement and is operated by students of Saint Joseph's College. The station plays all varieties of rock music 17 hours a day, seven days a week. "Our mission is to provide hands-on experience to those students majoring in Radio/TV, while at the same time serving the campus and local communities." In addition to playing music, WPUM-FM boasts an award-winning news department and extensive coverage of SJC sports. Over 60 students worked with the station during the past school year.

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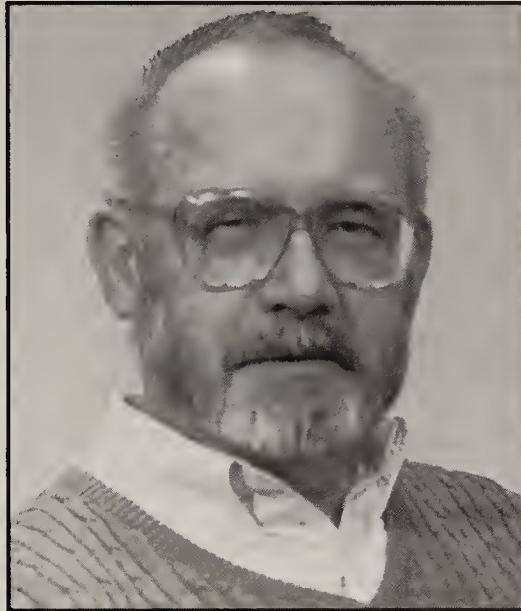
WPUM, has won the Affiliate of the Year Award from the College Radio Network. CRN is a national association of college radio stations anchored by the Broadcast Communications Department at Syracuse University.

WPUM won the award because it contributed more stories that were used on CRN's national broadcasts than any of the other affiliates.

# Three SJC Faculty Members Retire



*G. Robert Kasky*



*Andrew Mehall*



*Father Paul White*

The close of the 1991-92 school year saw the retirement of three long-time faculty members and the resignation of John Nichols as academic vice president. Dr. Nichols plans to serve full time as a professor of philosophy and Core Curriculum Coordinator.

G. Robert Kasky '61, associate professor of accounting, is retiring after 26 years. He came to Saint Joseph's in 1966 as an assistant professor of accounting. Kasky is also retiring from his CPA practice in Rensselaer which he started and operated since 1966. In 1992, he was inducted into the Academic Honor Society and along with Andrew Mehall and Father Paul White received the Professor Emeritus Award. Kasky and his wife, Fran, and children, Eva and Michael, plan to continue residing in Rensselaer.

Andrew Mehall, chairman, department of biology and professor of biology, is retiring after 31 years. He came to Saint Joseph's in 1961 as an instructor in biology and in 1992 was the recipient of the Teaching Excellence Award. He was also honored with a teaching award in 1990, and in January, 1992, was given the College's Lifetime Achievement Award, one of the first two instructors at Saint Joseph's to win that recognition. At that time, Mehall was recognized for being co-founder, first chairman and outstanding contributor to the Core science program at Saint Joseph's College. Andy and wife Julia are residing in Indianapolis.

Father Paul White '54, associate professor of economics, is retiring after 39 years of service to Saint Joseph's College. Father White has served the college in a variety of positions including professor, business manager, executive vice president, campaign director for Saint Joseph's \$7 million capital gifts campaign and alumni director. He was appointed by the Society of the Precious Blood to take over the theology formation program at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago from 1975 to 1980, while he also continued to moderate the Parents' Club and to plan parent programs on Saint Joseph's campus. Since 1990, he has taken over the administration of St. Francis Parish, Francesville, Ind., and St. Henry Parish, Medaryville, Ind. He will continue in these positions but will reside at Saint Joseph's.

## Herman Named Senior-of-the-Year

Jennifer Herman, a political science major from New Haven, Ind., was named the winner of the Senior-of-the-Year Award for 1992. After five finalists were chosen in balloting by this year's senior class, she was selected by an alumni association committee on the basis of her achievements as a student and as a leader and participant in a variety of extracurricular activities on campus.

Other finalists included: Paula Kline, a management major from Huntington, Ind.; John Odum, a marketing major from Ottawa, Ill.; Leanne Haynes, a psychology major from North Richland Hills, Texas; and Brian Studebaker, a management major from Gurnee, Ill.



*Prof. Dave Owens, Jennifer Herman*

# Fall Sports Schedules

Final 1992 Fall Sports schedules available at deadline. Bold face denotes home games. For further information and for the men's and women's golf schedules please contact Saint Joseph's Athletic Office - 219: 866-6338 or 219: 866-6275.

## Men's - Women's Cross Country

Sept. 8	at Butler University (Invitational)
Sept. 12	<b>University of Indianapolis</b>
	IUPU-Fort Wayne
Sept. 19	at Taylor University (Invitational)
Sept. 25	at Manchester College (Invitational)
Oct. 3	<b>Saint Joseph's College (Invitational)</b>
Oct. 9	at Illinois Benedictine College (Invitational)
Oct. 16	at Purdue University - Little State
Oct. 24	at IUPU-Fort Wayne - GLVC
Nov. 7	at Ferris State University NCAA Division II Regionals

Sept. 26	<b>Bellarmine College</b>
Sept. 30	at Wheaton College
Oct. 2	at Valparaiso University
Oct. 4	<b>Kentucky State University</b>
Oct. 9	at University of Missouri at Rolla
Oct. 20	Goshen College
Oct. 29	<b>Tri-State University</b>
Oct. 30	at Northeastern Missouri State Univ.
Nov. 1	at Quincy College

## Women's Tennis

Sept. 5	at Saint Francis College
Sept. 9	at Northeastern Illinois University
Sept. 12	<b>IUPU-Fort Wayne</b>
	University of Southern Indiana
Sept. 15	College of Saint Francis
Sept. 19	at University of Indianapolis
	Bellarmine College
Sept. 26	at Kentucky Wesleyan College
	Northern Michigan University
Sept. 28	Chicago State University
Sept. 30	at IUPU-Indianapolis
Oct. 3	at Lewis University
	Kentucky State University
Oct. 13	Valparaiso University
Oct. 15-17	Conference Tourney

## Football

Sept. 5	<b>Grand Valley State</b>
Sept. 12	at Butler University
Sept. 19	<b>Indianapolis</b>
Sept. 26	at Saginaw Valley State
Oct. 3	<b>Valparaiso (Homecoming)</b>
Oct. 10	Open
Oct. 17	at Ashland University
Oct. 24	<b>Hillsdale College</b>
Oct. 31	at Wayne State
Nov. 7	<b>Northern Michigan University</b>
Nov. 14	at Ferris State University

## Volleyball

Sept. 5	<b>University of Wisconsin at Parkside</b>
Sept. 9	Purdue University Calumet
Sept. 10	at Culver-Stockton College
Sept. 16	at Saint Xavier College
Sept. 22	at Saint Francis College
Sept. 26	<b>Bellarmine College</b>
Sept. 27	Northern Kentucky University
Sept. 29	at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Oct. 3	<b>North Central College</b>
Oct. 7	at Wabash College
Oct. 16	at Kentucky Wesleyan College
Oct. 18	National Louis University
Oct. 21	at Valparaiso University
Oct. 25	<b>Illinois Wesleyan University</b>
Oct. 27	at University of Indianapolis

Sept. 24	at Wisconsin Parkside
Sept. 28	<b>St. Xavier College</b>
Sept. 30	at Lewis University
	at Lewis University Tournament
	(Rollins College & Nebraska-Omaha)
Sept. 23	at Purdue-Calumet
Sept. 25	<b>Northern Kentucky University</b>
Sept. 26	University of Indianapolis
Sept. 28	<b>IUPU-Indianapolis</b>
Sept. 30	at Saint Francis (Joliet)
Oct. 3	<b>National Louis &amp; Franklin Tri-Match</b>
Oct. 6	DePauw University
Oct. 9	at IUPU-Fort Wayne
Oct. 10	at Ashland University
Oct. 13	<b>Wisconsin Parkside</b>
Oct. 20	at DePauw University
Oct. 23	at Kentucky State
	at Bellarmine College
Oct. 28	at St. Xavier College
Oct. 30	<b>University of Southern Indiana</b>
Oct. 31	Kentucky Wesleyan College
Nov. 5	at Franklin College
Nov. 9	Purdue-Calumet
Nov. 14-15	Conference Tournament

## Women's Soccer

Sept. 5	<b>University of Southern Indiana</b>
Sept. 8	at Trinity College
Sept. 15	at Saint Mary's College
Sept. 19	<b>University of Findlay</b>
Sept. 20	University of Louisville
Sept. 23	at DePauw University
Sept. 24	Rockford College

# Chapter Notes



Chicago - (left to right): Norm VanMaldegiam '60, Dick Winans '59, Joe Gurgone '59, Dick Vallin '59, Joe Matlon '59, Jim Deegan '59

## Chicago

Friday, June 26, 1992, over 50 alumni and 36 guests joined for the annual Chicago Puma Invitational Golf Tournament at the Poplar Creek Country Club in Hoffman Estates. This year, like the past years, the event was successfully organized by Tim Buckley '73. The oldest and youngest alumni playing were Harold Judy '35 and next year graduate Emmet Morrison. Women golfers were represented by Mary Ann Meyer, administrative assistant to Father Charles Banet and Cyndi Gutwein, SJC women's golf coach. Alumnus and assistant football coach Gerry Potacki '83 represented the SJC Athletic Department and Frank Slaby, associate professor of business administration, represented the faculty. Following 18 holes of golf on the best golfing day in June, the alumni and guests adjourned for a much needed beverage and dinner. Among the winners were Joe Gurgone '59 for the longest putt; Tom Doherty '76, the longest drive; Jack Sensenbrenner, the longest drive using a #4; Peter Kiel-

tyka, closest to the pin; Bill McGuire '66, low net score; Cyndi Gutwein, lowest female and Mark Baum '77, lowest men's score. Steve Meyer '81, from Lafayette, Ind., won the Puma Award.

Following the award, Tim announced that he would be stepping down as chairman. Next year, Terry Dane '76 will assume Tim's leadership.

## NW Indiana

The NW Indiana Chapter has had an "Outing". On Friday, June 19, 1992, some 42 alumni/ae along with spouses, dates and friends gathered at Foddy's in Merrillville to celebrate the rebirth of alumni activities in "The Region" (Lake and Porter Counties of Indiana). The event was organized by Pete Ippolito '86 and his lovely wife Peg Ippolito '86 and "Ace" Mark LaMere '86. Alumni from the 60's to recent graduate Scott Schumann '92 socialized from 7 p.m. until about midnight. Entertainment was provided by Ben Likens '89, who is making a name for himself in the musical world.

NW Indiana alumni should pay attention to their mailings so they can mark on their calendars the dates of a possible picnic and golf tournament.



NW Indiana - (left to right):  
Pete Ippolito '86, Peg Ippolito  
'86, Mark LaMere '86



Indianapolis - (left to right):  
Duffy Hagist '67, Bill Reagan  
'74, Jeff Taylor '77, Mike  
Houston '82

# Class Notes

## The 1930s

Father William Kramer, C.P.P.S. '39, professor emeritus of chemistry at Saint Joseph's, was one of two 1991-92 recipients of the Meiring Teaching Excellence Award.

## The 1940s

Hubert J. Miller '47, received the 1992 Harvey L. Johnson Southwest Council of Latin American Studies Award for the best published article. The article, "Conservative and Liberal Concordats in 19th Century Guatemala: Who Won?" appeared in the 1991 winter issue of Journal of Church and State. Hubert and wife, Doris, live in Edinburg, Texas.

## The 1950s

Father Philip Gilbert, C.P.P.S. '52, chairman, department of mathematics/physics and associate professor of mathematics was one of two 1991-92 recipients of the Meiring Teaching Excellence Award.

Richard Doherty '54, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., a political science/psychology/history instructor at Rend Lake College, Ina, Ill., scored a "threepeat" in the Senior Olympics competition recently, connecting on 24 of 25 free throw attempts to win the 55-59 age group competition in Springfield, Ill., for the third year in a row. Yet classroom accomplishments provide more satisfaction, ad-

mits Doherty. He assumed leadership of Rand Lake College's "College Bowl" squad and guided it to a Southern Illinois Collegiate Common Market tournament championship. Last season, his second in charge, RLC became the first school ever to win both the regular-season title outright and post-season tourney (with an undefeated record). That team also finished as runner-up in a four-state Midwestern Tournament in the Chicago area.

Fred D. Handler '54, of Allegany, N.Y., was inducted into the St. Bonaventure University Athletic Hall of Fame May 30, 1992. He has served as an instructor in St. Bonaventure's department of physical education since 1959 and has been chairman of the department since 1985.

## The 1960s

Ray Krizmanic '60, of Monona, Wis., chairman of the social studies department of Monona Grove High School, Monona, Wis., was named the District High School Teacher of the Year and received the Kohl Education Foundation Teaching Fellowship Award.

Jack Vargo '65, of Whitehall, Mich., served in the U.S. Navy Submarine Service from 1965-70. Since then he has taught middle school and high school, coached wrestling and was selected for the 1992 issue of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers." Jack and wife, Bonnie, have Aaron, 21, Jason, 20, Jody, 18 and Elizabeth Anne 15.

Bart Ng '68, professor and chair of the mathematical sciences department at Indiana University-Purdue University,

Indianapolis, has been appointed vice president for programs of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics. During his two-year appointment, Bart will oversee scientific programs, including conferences and workshops, and take a leading role in determining the science direction of the Philadelphia-based mathematics society.

Col. Thomas Skrodzki '68, of Ft. Campbell, Ky., assumed command of the U.S. Army Garrison, Ft. Campbell, Ky., after a year as the Inspector General. He served as a G-4 with the 101st airborne division during Desert Storm. His wife is Kathy Senesak Skrodzki '70.

## The 1970s

Father Rick Friebel, C.P.P.S. '73, is the new pastor of his home parish, Our Lady of Good Counsel, in Cleveland, Ohio, as of August, 1991.

Dan Harbor '76, has been named district manager of Hallrich, Incorporated, the Stow (Ohio)-based franchise of Pizza Hut Incorporated. He will supervise the area management staff and operations of 35 units throughout northeast Ohio. In addition, Dan will be responsible for the planning and development of all new units in his area. Dan and wife, Brenda, reside in Akron, Ohio.

## The 1980s

Father Gregory Jozefiak '83, was ordained on May 23, 1992, by Bishop John Myers in the cathedral in Peoria, Ill. He was assigned to St. Vincent de Paul parish in Peoria. His

# Class Notes

brother, Father Matthew, C.P.P.S., also a Saint Joseph's graduate of 1981, gave the homily at the Mass of Thanksgiving. After graduation from SJC, Father Greg spent five years working in corporate America. In 1988, he entered Holy Apostles Seminary to study for the priesthood.

**Ann Marie Fiore '84**, of Chicago, Ill., was promoted in 1992 to Central Region Human Resources Manager with Household Finance Corporation. She has been employed there since August, 1990, and has human resource and recruiting responsibilities over the 600 employee facility in Elmhurst, Ill., as well as oversees H.R. operations in 14 states within the Midwest Region. She enjoys the many entertainment activities and functions living in Old Town, Chicago provides.

**Stanley Klatka '84**, has been named director of licensing for the Coleman Company, Inc., Wichita, Kansas. Stan's duties include management of all licensing activities involving the Coleman brand, including asset management, brand enhancement and strategic planning for all markets and licensees.

**Russell Dennick '85**, was recently promoted to director of financial operations at Lockheed Finance Corporation in Burbank, Calif. Russell and wife, Jacqueline, live in Pasadena, Calif.

**Laurie Elish-Piper '85**, and husband, Steven Piper, have relocated to Akron, Ohio. Laurie is a full-time student at The University of Akron, working on her PhD in education. She is also working as a graduate assistant for the university, supervising student teachers and teaching under-

graduate education courses. Steve is the director of audio-visual services at the Stouffer Tower City Plaza Hotel in Cleveland.

**Dr. James Matheu '88**, of Palos Park, Ill., is currently in his 1st year of family medicine/emergency medicine residency at Chicago Osteopathic Health Systems. He will be rotating at inner city hospitals

in Chicago.

**Bill Evans '89**, of Chicago, Ill., stopped his undefeated opponent in 1:37 of the first round June 22, 1992. Bill, now boxing as a pro, is a Cook County Sheriff's Deputy for Sheriff Mike Sheahan '67.

## Need Transcripts?

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## Wedding Bells

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Anne O'Brien '86 and Joseph Wheeler were wed 4/24/92 in Oak Lawn, Ill. Her wedding party included John O'Brien '81, his wife Rita Nesius O'Brien '81, and Eileen O'Brien Kolacki '86. They reside in Manchester, Mo.

John Fitzgerald Atha '87 and Mary Ellen Dougherty '89 were wed 6/27/92 in Rensselaer, Ind.

Mary Susan Banet '87 and David Jennings were wed 6/27/92 in New Albany, Ind.

Janet Bowyer '87 and Garry Neitzel were married 9/17/88 at Zion United Church of Christ in Dyer, Ind. They reside in Cedar Lake, Ind.

John Glasmeier '88 and Karen Westerkamm were married 5/18/91 in Fairfield, Ohio. Fr. Ben Berinti '80 performed the ceremony. The bridal party included Jim Seidler '88 and Gerry Nisle '88. They reside in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Joseph Hartman '88 and Tracie Reeves were married 5/30/92 in Indianapolis, Ind. Joseph is the Bloomington Manager for Markey's Audio-Visual. They reside in Unionville, Ind.

John Pikarski, III '88 and Teriann Leoni were married on 7/6/91. John is a partner with Walsh Dunsmore Co., a commercial real estate firm. Teriann works for a hospital consulting firm. They reside in Chicago, Ill.

Scott Swinford '88 and Kara Milharcic were married 5/2/92 at Indianapolis, Ind. Scott is an industrial engineer at the Naval Air Warfare Center in Indianapolis and Kara is an account executive in retail advertising at Indianapolis Star & News.

Mike Wesley '88 and Ann Messman '91 were married 7/14/90. Mike is a computer programmer for State Farm Insurance, West Lafayette, Ind. and Ann is employed at First Bank of Lafayette. They reside in Lafayette.

Michael Kleszynski '90 and Sharon Vairo '92 were married 7/18/92 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

in Carmel, Ind. They reside in Bound Brook, N.J.

Cris Cowan '91 and Rob Petro were wed 6/20/92 in Crown Point, Ind. Katie DeSantis '89 was in the wedding party.

They reside in Sturgis, Mich.

Margaret Burzynski '92 and Daniel Bays were wed 7/18/92. The wedding party included Christine Klawes '92, Heather Davia '92 and Luke Lengerich '92.

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## Future Alums

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Thomas Morgan Hern (5/28/92) to Jane Sroka Hern '75 and Larry Hern of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. He joins Jonathan, 3, and Stephen, 1 1/2.

Twin girls, Krista Lynn and Kaylie Ann Duffy to Kim Duffy and Jim Duffy '78 of Milwaukee, Wis.

Nicole Marie Abbate (3/29/92) to Kathleen Miller Abbate '79 and Vito Abbate of Darien, Ill. She joins Michelle.

John Franklin "Jack" Imbery (9/28/91) to Katherine Imbery and Terry Imbery '79 of Plattsburgh, N.Y. He joins Ted, 5.

Rachel Elizabeth Misanik (5/3/91) to Beth Bihlman Misanik '79 and Thomas Misanik of North Canton, Ohio. She joins Christen, 5 1/2 and Emily, 3 1/2.

Martin Patrick Bamberg (3/16/92) to Dan Bamberg '80 and Beth Janecke Bamberg '81 of Wilmington, Mass. He joins Joey, 13, Peter, 11, Jon, 9, Andy, 6, and Danielle, 3.

Joel Austin Becker (2/25/92) to Pam Becker and Ed Becker '80 of Indianapolis, Ind. He joins Samuel, 2.

Kathryn Michelle Kazimier (5/19/92) to Julie Reedy Kazimier '80 and Philip Kazimier of Elgin, Ill. She joins Jason, 5 1/2, and Patricia, 2 1/2.

Abigail Anne Kliment (5/22/92) to Claudia Donnelly Kliment '80 and David Kliment of St. Charles, Ill. She joins Jacqueline, 5, and Brian, 3.

Christopher Scott Mills (5/11/92) to Thomas Mills '80 and Donna Griffin Mills '82 of Lafayette, Ind. He joins Tommy, 6, Kathleen, 4, and Daniel, 2.

Tara Elizabeth Ellis (4/11/92) to Vanessa Ellis and Bob Ellis '81 of Portage, Ind. She joins Trent, 3 1/2.

Ivan Frederick Sobal (5/26/92) to Larry Sobal '81 and Margaret Koopman Sobal '83 of Appleton, Wis. He joins Alex, 2.

Steven Andrew Frankowski (5/18/92) to Rosemary Pullen Frankowski '82 and Thaddeus Frankowski '82 of Munster, Ind. He joins Lisa, 3.

Justin James Staudt (3/28/92) to Sherry Staudt and Mike Staudt '82 of Lake In The Hills, Ill. He joins Katie, 5, and Chad, 2. Mike finished his masters in special education 8/91 and is teaching and coaching at Buffalo Grove High School in Ill.

Maxwell Mitchell Mastandrea (6/9/92) to Thomas Mastandrea '83 and Donna Mitchell Mastandrea '84 of Chicago, Ill.

Theresa Ellen Schmidt (5/13/92) to Kirsten Schmidt and Bill Schmidt '84 of Cleveland, Ohio.

Adam Charles Dyczko (4/2/92) to Dana Elliott Dyczko '91 and Chuck Dyczko '91 of Mishawaka, Ind.

Melissa E. Smith (12/5/91) to Paula M. Feist Smith (would of graduated in '93) and David C. Smith of Indianapolis, Ind.

## Deaths

**Edwin Gerald Shank '20** passed away April 17, 1992, at Winamac, Ind. He had poor health for several years and was 89 years old. He was retired from the First Union Bank and Trust Co., Winamac, where he held the office of executive vice president. He was a Fellow of Saint Joseph's and is survived by wife, Gertrude. They had one son, Edwin Gerald Shank, Jr.

**Father Leo Lehmkuhl '32** passed away October 14, 1990. He was ordained a priest in 1938 and served in the pastoral ministry in the Toledo Diocese in Ohio.

**Brother Edward Wendeln, C.P.P.S., '39**, died April 9, 1992, at St. Charles, Carthagena, Ohio. He was born in Ft. Laramie, Ohio,

Oct. 1, 1919, and was incorporated as a brother into the Society of the Precious Blood, Dec. 8, 1937. Burial was at St. Charles Apr. 13, 1992.

**John E. McKenna '48** died April 25, 1992, at Kankakee, Ill. He was a Navy veteran of WWII and retired from Kankakee Industrial Supply. He is survived by his wife, Marian, 2 daughters, 1 son and 2 grandchildren.

**Greg Presnail '51** died June 20, 1992, after a brief illness. He was 62 years old and had planned to retire to Bayfield, Wis., on June 30. He is survived by wife, Betty and 5 sons.

**Father Raymond Bauer, C.P.P.S., '54** died May 11, 1992. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pa.,

May 8, 1931, and ordained a priest May 31, 1959. He spent his priesthood in the parochial ministry until the day of his death.

**Robert Roessler '73** passed away March 28, 1990.

**Kathryn Scharf** died June 2, 1992. She was employed at Saint Joseph's for 30 years serving as the executive assistant to the director of development and the director of athletics at Saint Joseph's and as secretary to the commissioner of the Great Lakes Valley Conference. She is survived by husband, Richard '38, sons Richard of Atlanta, Stephen '69 of Monroe, Mich., daughter, Maureen Jungblut of Kentland, Ind., and 11 grandchildren.

## Alumni Admissions Referral Form

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Gifts may also be made in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion. A birthday present, for example, for one who has everything might be a named gift of \$50 to the library to purchase books.

# Homecoming '92

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

- 4:45-6:30 p.m. '50's Dinner  
for alumni and students—Halleck Center cafeteria  
6:00-9:00 p.m. Reunion Classes Reception-- Core XI  
8:00 p.m. Bonfire—Sparling parking lot behind Halleck Center  
9:00 p.m. Movie: *White Men Can't Jump* with  
Woody Harrelson, Wesley Snipes and  
Rosie Perez - Science Hall Auditorium

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

- 9:00-2:00 p.m. Alumni Registration  
Halleck Center; moves to Beer and Brat Tent at noon  
9:30 a.m. Alumni Run—meet at Bennett Hall  
Reunion Class Traveling Trophy  
10:00 a.m. Alumni Baseball Game  
NW of Hanson Rec Center  
10:30 a.m. Beer and Brat Tent opens  
North of Hanson Rec Center  
10:45 a.m. Men's and Women's Cross Country Meet  
SJC vs. Indianapolis and Bellarmine—between Gallagher & Noll  
11:00 a.m. Parade—Downtown to Campus  
11:00-Noon "An Hour with Professor John Posey"  
Noon-1:00 p.m. Halleck Cafeteria open for lunch  
Noon-1:00 p.m. WPUM-FM Alumni  
15th Anniversary Lunch--Halleck Cafeteria  
Noon-4:00 p.m. Roving Artist--Beer and Brat Tent area  
Men's Soccer vs. North Central—  
West of Justin Hall  
1:30 p.m. Football: SJC vs. Valparaiso—Alumni Football Field  
5:30 p.m. Mass in Remembrance of Deceased Alumni—Chapel  
6:00-7:00 p.m. Columbian Players Centennial Reception  
Celebration—Core XI  
6:30 p.m. Alumni Cocktails in Halleck Center—  
North and South Lounge  
7:00 p.m. Alumni Reunion Dinner  
Halleck Center Ballroom  
9:00-Midnight Alumni/Student Dance with  
*Sequel*—music of the 40's through  
80's—Ballroom

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

- 10:30 a.m. Glee Club and Chorus Reunion  
Concert—Chapel  
11:00 a.m. Mass—Chapel  
Noon President's & Vice Presidents' Brunch  
with Alumni—Halleck Cafeteria  
3:30 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Univ. of Kentucky—  
West of Justin Hall

**HOOMEOMING 1992**

Yes! I am interested in the following activities:

- I plan to attend the Friday Reunion Class Reception
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- I plan to play in the Alumni Baseball Game
- I plan to enter the Alumni Run
- I plan to attend the WPUM Alumni 15th Anniversary lunch
- I plan to sing in the Glee Club and Chorus Reunion Concert
- I plan to attend the Columbian Players Centennial Reception

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at Alumni/Student Dance in Ballroom.*

# Calendar of Events

## Parents' Weekend '92

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

Regularly scheduled classes open to parents—preregistration required  
4:00 p.m.  
Business Meeting of the Executive Committee of  
the Parents' Council—open to all parents who  
wish to attend—Downard Lounge

Dinner on your own  
8:00 p.m.

Play: *Early One Evening At The Rainbow Bar and  
Grill*—Auditorium

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Registration (moves to Beer and Brat Tent,  
Noon-2:00)—Halleck Lobby  
College Bookstore open—Halleck Center  
9:30 a.m.  
Family Photos—Halleck Lounge  
10:00 a.m.  
Alpha Lambda Delta Induction—Halleck Ball-  
room  
11:30 a.m.  
Beer and Brat Tent opens—North of Hanson  
Presentations (Concurrent sessions)—Halleck  
Center  
\*What is This Thing We Call Core?  
Dr. Robert Garrity, Professor of English  
\*Student Life  
Vicki Kosowsky, Assistant Vice Presi-  
dent for Student Affairs  
\*Career Planning and Placement  
Cris Beschnett, Director of Career Plan-  
ning and Placement

12:15-1:15 p.m.  
Same Presentations in the same order as listed  
above

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
Lunch available in the cafeteria or Beer and Brat  
Tent—Halleck Center or Beer and Brat Tent  
Roving Artist—Frank Birdsall—Campus  
WPUM live broadcast from the Beer and Brat  
Tent

Noon-4:00 p.m.  
Noon-4:00 p.m.  
1:30 p.m.  
5:00 p.m.  
5:00-7:00 p.m.  
6:00 p.m.  
8:00 p.m.  
9:00 p.m.-1:30 a.m.  
Football: SJC vs. Hillsdale—Football Field  
Mass—Chapel  
Core XI open—Halleck Center  
Dinner (by reservation only)—Halleck Center  
Jill Pitz, Harpist—Halleck Ballroom  
Play: *Early One Evening At The Rainbow Bar and  
Grill*—Auditorium  
Core XI open—Halleck Center

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

10:30 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m.  
Chorus Concert—Chapel  
Mass—Chapel  
College Bookstore open—Halleck Center  
Brunch available—Halleck Cafeteria

On the cover...Campus Aerial View - 1940s

Homecoming Dance - 1950s

1960s Student Get-together

SJC Water Tower - 1970s

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